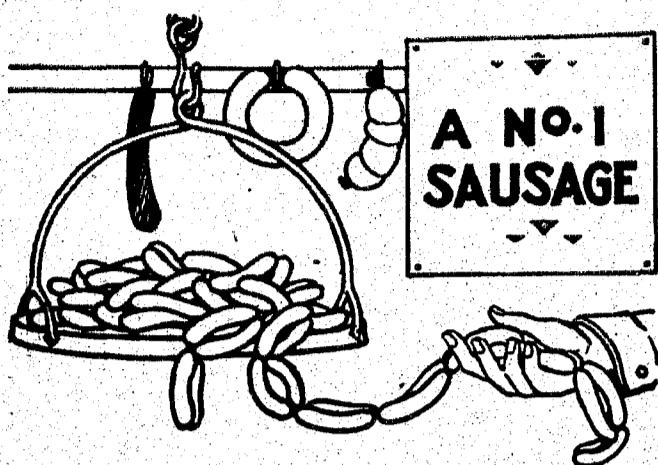


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YOU'RE not a child any longer. You don't have to play grab bag when you buy sausage. Come to this place, and then you will be sure of the kind of sausage you are buying. We know what goes into it. You may depend upon the high quality of all our meats.

F. H. Milk's Market Phone No. 2

## Our Fish Department

Dozens of varieties of fresh, smoked, salt and canned fish await your selection in this department.

## Let the Busy Store

Solve your Lenten menu problem with fresh fish at low prices.

## Our Grocery Department

Every variety of staple and fancy groceries can be found in our store. Just call on us and see for yourself how clean and fresh our stock is, if you are not in the habit of phoning your order here or calling yourself. We are satisfied if you give us a trial order we will get another.

Remember we have Two Delivery Wagons at your service and are always ready to please you

**H. PETERSEN,**  
Your Grocer.

## Can you afford to miss this

### A SAVING ON EVERY PURCHASE

Here is where 25c will do its full duty from March 1st to and including the 6th

7 boxes Matches, the good kind.

5 packages Arm & Hammer Soda.

6 packages Corn Starch.

10 pounds of Onions.

1 bushel nice Potatoes.

2 pounds pure Lard.

7 bars Oak Leaf Soap.

7 bars Queen Ann Soap.

7 bars Bob White Soap.

10 Cent Sellers

3 pounds Imperial Rice.

3 sacks Pancake Flour.

3 sacks Buckwheat Flour.

3 pounds Ginger Snaps.

3 cans Michigan Tomatoes

3 cans American Corn.

3 cans King Peas.

3 cans Danish Prize Milk.

3 cans Silver Cow Milk.

3 cans Beauty Milk, tall size

### 15 Cent Sellers

2 packages Shredded Wheat

2 " Cream of Wheat.

2 " Pillsbury's Wheat Cereal.

2 " Grape Nuts.

2 cans good Salmon.

2 " Eagle Milk.

2 " Thomas Plums.

2 " Bartlett Pears.

2 " Japan Plums.

2 " White Sweet Cherries.

2 " Red Raspberries.

4 pounds Granulated Sugar.

Trade at the store  
where it pays to  
pay cash.

## Model Bakery and Grocery

## Field, Garden and Root Seeds

EDW. E. EVANS

Lock Box 422

West Branch, Mich.

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When People Ask Us  
what to do for nervous and lost weight,  
we always recommend  
**Office Oil**  
Chamomile Tea  
a food tonic and home balsam.  
A. M. Lewis & Co.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN, MARCH 4, 1915.

## FORD'S MYSTERY CAR DISPLAYED

### IT BRISTLES WITH FEATURES.

Long Expected 1915 Model Attracts Throngs.

With the arrival of the first shipment of 1915 Ford cars at the Becker Auto company garage, Grand Rapids had its first glimpse of what has long since become known as the Ford mystery car. For weeks automobile folk have known something new was on the way from the famous Detroit factory and conjecture has been just as rampant as in the case of another so-called mystery auto.

Patrons of the Grand Rapids show are to have the opportunity of seeing the new 1915 Ford and riding in it, and, as usual, the big Ford concession will play to great throngs of interested spectators and prospective buyers. The new model with its graceful stream-line body effect, its cowl dash, its clear-vision wind shield, circular fenders and improved lights surpasses the most extravagant claims set forth in advance.

There is little change in the chassis, but the first ride in the new car convinces any Ford owner that there is a difference. The engine is quieter, the transmission is far less noisy and there is an indefinable feeling of stability.

Inquiry develops the fact that there has been one change in the mechanical construction. The 1915 axle housing is heavier and so constructed as to offer greater ease of access. This heavier axle is responsible, no doubt, for the difference in the "feel" of the new car when in action. Beginning with the headlights and ending with the tail lights the appearance of the popular little Ford is entirely changed.

Being a Japanese play, the scene of the story was laid in a Japanese tea garden, which was presided over by Komeko, the part being well taken by Ambrose Melstrup. It was a difficult part, necessitating a musical voice, tragedy, pathos and comedy, and Mr. Melstrup filled the bill to perfection.

Cherry Blossom, who was brought up as the daughter of Komeko, was in reality an American girl. This part was cleverly taken by Miss Louise Trevigno, and it is difficult to imagine one better fitted to play the role. Her easy, graceful and pleasing manner elicited generous applause and encore. Her voice, acting and general make-up seemed to fit perfectly into the part.

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Togo, a Japanese politician, who was the villain in the play, was presented by Fred Alexander. The pompous, conceited, self-exalted Togo found it very difficult to "condescend to the level of his inferiors." He was betrothed to the pretty Cherry Blossom, who was the daughter of Komeko, was in reality an American girl. This part was cleverly taken by Miss Louise Trevigno, and it is difficult to imagine one better fitted to play the role. Her easy, graceful and pleasing manner elicited generous applause and encore. Her voice, acting and general make-up seemed to fit perfectly into the part.

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The young men and ladies taking parts and the girls appearing as Geisha girls, all were fine and immensely pleasing to the audience.

We feel that Grayling is to be congratulated upon the talent that we have among our young people and trust that we may have more local entertainments along this line.

Miss Sherman, who directed the play, has been very successful in putting on Miss Cherry Blossom in several cities and deserves considerable credit for her work here. Mrs. J. E. Bradley ably played the piano scores and Bradley's orchestra added greatly to the pleasure of the evening by furnishing music during the intermissions.

If I Knew You and You Knew Me.  
If I knew you, and you knew me.  
Tis seldom we would disagree.  
But, never having yet clasped hands,  
Both often fail to understand  
That each intends to do what's right,  
And treat each other "honor bright."

How little to complain there'd be,  
If I knew you and you knew me.  
Then let no doubt thoughts abide  
Of firm good faith on either side,  
Confidence in each other give.  
Living ourselves, let others live.  
But any time you come this way  
That you will call, we hope and pray.  
Then face to face, we each shall see,  
Then I'll know you, and you'll know me.

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## ALLIES DECLARE FOOD BLOCKADE

BRITISH PREMIER READS PREPARED STATEMENT TO COMMONS MONDAY.

### BITTER AGAINST GERMANY

England and France propose to stop all shipments to Germany or to the ports of her allies Austria and Turkey.

London—Announcement of a virtual blockade by Great Britain and her allies against Germany, Austria and Turkey was made in the house of commons Monday by Premier Asquith.

The premier read from a prepared paper, studiously avoiding the words "blockade" and "contraband."

Referring to what he termed "whalers of peace," Mr. Asquith said it was not time to talk of peace; that this time would arrive "only when the great purposes of the Allies are in sight of accomplishment."

The decision of the British government to adopt retaliatory measures against Germany was set forth in a formal statement which Premier Asquith read in the house of commons. The premier prefaced the reading of the statement with these words:

"The statement declares in sufficiently plain and unmistakable terms the view we take, not only of our rights but of our duties."

The reading of the statement was interrupted frequently with loud cheers.

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford invited the premier to state whether Germans who engaged in submarine attacks or raids on unfortified towns and were captured would be tried for murder. Mr. Asquith declined to give and definite assurance, but he said:

"No doubt the government will take into serious consideration what is the status under international law of persons engaged in this campaign."

Referring to the two occasions on which German warships had been seen by the British at sea, Mr. Asquith said that the object of the Germans in both cases was "murder and wholesale destruction of property, and undefended towns."

He described the German campaign against British shipping as grotesque and puerile and said that it was a version of language to call it a blockade.

"The gravity of our immense task increases each month," he continued. "The call for men has been responded to nobly, both at home and throughout the empire. That call has never been more urgent than today."

Referring to recent labor troubles the premier said that the first duty of all concerned, was to go on producing with might and main what the safety of the state required. If that were done the government would insure prompt and equitable settlement of disputed points affecting the labor world.

### Michigan Men Receive O. K.

Washington—The senate Monday night confirmed the nomination of Richard J. Lawson, corporation counsel of Detroit, for collector of customs at Detroit for the district of Michigan, and of Herman O'Connor, of Holton, for United States marshal for the western district of Michigan.

Some charges were laid against O'Connor last week, but he came down and answered them satisfactorily.

Samuel T. Lee, of Michigan, now United States consul at San Jose, Costa Rica, has been nominated to be advanced from the seventh to the sixth consul, involving increase of salary from \$3,000 to \$3,500.

Vocational Counseling for Women. Ann Arbor—With a view of assisting women students to choose vocations best suited to them, there has been established at the University of Michigan a system of vocational counseling under the direction of Mrs. B. Jordan, dean of women, and Dr. Elsie Pratt, university physician for women. The establishment of the new department in the outgrowth of the recent vocational conference held in this city and it is expected that it will be of great help to women students who have some difficulty in deciding the proper vocation to follow when they have concluded their education.

### TELEGRAPHIC FLASHERS

Havre, France—The Belgian ministry announced Saturday that 2,000 residents of Louvain, who had been arrested by the German military authorities, have been released.

Washington—Bids for nine navy hydroaeroplanes were opened here Saturday. C. M. Foll, the aviator who recently flew over the Andes, was the low bidder for all nine at \$6,800 each. Twelve concerns submitted bids. Contracts will be awarded later.

Berne, Switzerland—The Swiss organization formed for the purpose of returning foreign civilians to their homes has finished its work, after having transported over 20,000 Germans, French and Austrians to their own countries.

Madrid—The Spanish government's new naval law provides for the construction of four cruisers, six destroyers, 28 submarines, three gunboats, one coast guard ship and the purchase of submarine mines.

Berlin—Admiral von Pohl, chief of the admiralty staff, has been selected as successor to Admiral von Ingenohl, whose removal from command of the German battleship fleet was made known Friday.

No reasons have been assigned for the change in command.

### MARKET QUOTATIONS

Detroit Stockyards Quarantined, Hoof and Mouth Disease.

#### LIVE STOCK.

"Notify immediately all persons concerned. All interstate shipments prohibited until the yards have been satisfactorily cleaned and disinfected. Animals now in yards may be moved for immediate slaughter under inspection of local establishments subject to approval of yourself and state authorities."

(Signed) "JOHN R. MOHLER."

The foregoing telegram was received Wednesday afternoon by Dr. Edward P. Schaeffer, in charge of the local United States bureau of animal industry, regarding the quarantine which has been placed over the Michigan Central stockyards in Detroit following the discovery of a second outbreak of the dreaded hoof and mouth disease.

The work of disinfecting the yards, which will be in charge of W. E. Smith, superintendent of the stockyards, and under the supervision of Federal Inspector Walter Boyce, began Friday morning, at which time 150 men and 25 teams were placed at work. Every pen, fence and cobblestone will be scraped and sprayed with a solution of carbolic acid, creosote and lime, and it is thought that the work will take not less than 10 days.

**EAST BUFFALO**—Cattle: Receipts, 40 cars; market 25@40c higher; no prime cattle on sale; choice to prime steers, \$8.25@8.75; fair to good, \$7.25@7.75; plains, \$6.50@7.50; choice butcher steers, \$7.50@7.75; fair to good, \$7.25@7.75; best hand steers, \$7.25@7.50; common to good, \$6.50@7.50; best hand butter steers, \$7.25@7.50; best heavy cattle, \$6.50@7.50; common to good, \$5.50@6.50; best heavy fat cows, \$6.50@7.50; good butcher cows, \$5.50@6.50; medium to good, \$5@5.25; cutters, \$4.25@4.75; canners, \$4@4.25; best bulls, \$6.50@7.50; good butcher bulls, \$6@6.50; sausage bulls, \$5.50@6.50; light bulls, \$4.75@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 50 cars; market 10@15c higher; heavy, \$6.50@7.10; mixed, \$7.15@7.25; workers, \$7.30@7.30; pigs, \$7.25@7.35.

Sheep and lambs: Receipts, 30 cars; market 15@25c higher; top lambs \$8.50@9.80; fair to good, \$9.10@9.85; yearlings, \$7.25@7.50; wethers, \$7.25@7.75; ewes, \$6@7.25.

Calves: Receipts, 8 cars; strong; tops, \$11.50@12; fair to good, \$5@11; grassers, \$4@6.

#### GRAIN, ETC.

**DETROIT**—Wheat: Cash No. 2 red, \$1.53 1/2; May opened 1-2c off, at \$1.57 1/2; advanced to \$1.65 and declined to \$1.57; July opened at \$1.30 1-2, touched \$1.32 and declined to \$1.30; No. 1 white, \$1.48 1/2.

Corn—Cash No. 3, 72 1/2c; No. 3 yellow, 72 cars at 73 1/2c; No. 4 yellow, 72c.

Oats—Standard, 2 cars at 58 1/2c and 1 at 59c; No. 3 white, 58 1/2c; No. 4 white, 57 1/2c.

Rye—Cash No. 2, \$1.25.

Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment: \$3.05; March, \$3.10; May, \$3.25; Clover seed—Prime spot and March, \$8; sample red, 40 bags at \$8.50, 16 at \$8; prime alike, \$9; sample alike, 8 bags at \$7.25.

Timothy—Prime spot, \$3.15.

#### GENERAL MARKETS.

Apples—Baldwins, \$2.25@2.50; Spies, \$2.75@3; greenings, \$2.75@3; russets, \$1.50@1.75; Steel's red, \$3.50@3.75 per bbl; box apples, \$1.25@1.75 per box.

Celery—Michigan large, 25@30c; California, \$4.25@4.50 per crate; Florida, \$3.50@4.25 per crate.

Cranberries—Howes, \$5.25@5.50; late reds, \$4@4.25 per bbl.

Potatoes—in car lots, bulk, 30@32c; in bags, 35@40c per bu; new Bermudas, \$7.50 per bbl; \$2.75 per bu.

Onions—\$1.25@1.35 per 100-lb sack; Spanish onions, \$1.50@1.60 per crate; Cuban, \$2.75 per box.

Cabbages—\$1.50@1.75 per bbl.

Butter—Official prices: Creamery extras, 29c; firsts, 27c; packing stock, 18c; dairy, 21c per lb.

Eggs—Official prices: Fresh firsts, cases included, 23 1/2c; current receipts, 22 1/2c per doz.

Ypsi Wins and Loses.

Ypsilanti—in the triangular debate

Friday night the Normal college affirmative team, H. Ray Russell, Phillip Boyce and George C. Quinlan, defeated the Central Normal team, from Mt. Pleasant, Richard Poch, Martin Melander and Walter Hinds.

The negative team, R. R. Bannon, Earl T. Oakes and Rufus Mumpfrey,

last to Ferris Institute, at Grand Rapids. The question was, "Resolved, that the United States should subsidize its merchant marine."

### RAILROADS WIN RATE INCREASE

ADVANCE OF FIVE PER CENT ON NEARLY ALL FREIGHT ALLOWED.

### SUGAR BEETS ARE EXCEPTED

IRON ORE, COAL AND COKE ALSO NOT INCLUDED IN DECISION OF STATE COMMISSION GIVEN OUT SATURDAY.

Lansing—in a decision announced Saturday morning, the Michigan railroad commission completed its orders giving the southern peninsula Michigan railroads their famous 5 per cent increases for which they have been petitioning for almost two years.

Counting in the latest order, an increase averaging 5 per cent has been granted the railroads on all freight with the exception of coal, coke, iron ore and sugar beets.

Some of the advanced date back to last fall, while those on brick, cement, tile, clay and starch bear date of Saturday.

According to experts the raises which the Michigan railroad commission has allowed in freight rates will net the roads an increase of about \$1,200,000 a year. This only applies to railroads south of the straits, as the upper peninsula roads were not parties to the proceedings before the commission.

Taking as a basis the last reports of the railroads, for the year ending June 30, 1914, the freight revenue for all the railroads in Michigan was \$44,582,209. Of this amount \$36,989,676.85 was for railroads in the southern peninsula and \$7,633,262.24 for the roads in the upper peninsula.

Charles Adams was acquitted of manslaughter in the Gratiot county circuit court at Ithaca in connection with the death of David Sullivan, who was found dead at the foot of the stairway leading to Adams' rooms last summer.

Two robbers who rifled a safe in Ernest Liebetrau's meat market at Huronton of \$400 Saturday night and were captured Sunday, have confessed. They gave their names as Wm. Chelim and James Olewski of Calumet.

According to the railroad experts here, the business done in coal, coke, iron ore and sugar beets, the four commodities whose rates remain the same, ran between 30 and 35 per cent of the total business on the roads south of the straits. That would make the business on which the increases have been granted run about \$24,000,000 in that district this figure giving the percentage at 35.

While some of the raises granted last fall were as low as 4 per cent and some as high as 9 per cent, 5 per cent is about the average. Based on the figures, the increase to the freight revenue would be in round numbers \$1,200,000.

While a portion of the \$44,000,000 business is interstate and not intrastate, the increases apply to the entire business in the southern peninsula, except for the four commodities mentioned. The interstate commerce commission granted the railroads the increases asked for on all commodities some time ago, so that the average of 5 per cent applies to both interstate and intrastate shipments.

### HILLMAN GETS NEW ROAD

Boyne City, Gaylord and Alpena Accept Offer of Right of Way.

Hillman—The Boyne City, Gaylord & Alpena railroad has accepted the proposal of the village of Hillman to donate a right of way and pay the cost of surveying and will bring the road through Hillman on the route between Atlanta and Alpena. It is expected the remainder of the rails between the end running out from Alpena and the western end, a gap of about 23 miles, will be completed by August 1.

The proposal that Hillman would donate a right of way over the new territory and pay the extra cost of surveying was made at a banquet held in honor of the railroad officials in Hillman, several weeks ago. The matter was considered for some time and the decision has just been announced.

### MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS

James S. Galloway, 74 years old, Hilldale's wealthiest citizen, is dead. With his wife he celebrated his golden wedding anniversary last month.

In answer to a resolution from the house some time ago, Auditor General O. B. Fuller Monday night reported that in the last six years special commissions had cost the state of Michigan slightly over \$128,000.

A mental and physical standard for all workmen will be established by the Paine-Anvil Mining Co., which will open a new mine employing 1,000 men at Bessemer within a few weeks. The purpose of the rule is to make the operation of the state workmen's compensation law less severe for employees.

Hay—Detroit dealers are paying the following prices: 1 b. Detroit: No. 1 timothy, \$1.64@1.80; standard, \$1.56@1.50; No. 2 timothy, \$1.45@1.65; No. 1 mixed, \$1.36@1.38; No. 2 mixed, \$1.0@1.2c; rye straw, \$8.50@9.50; wheat and oats straw, \$7.50@8.50 per ton.

Berlin, via London—The following German official statement was given out Saturday night: "German East Africa is now completely cleared of the enemy. German troops had entered Uganda, British East Africa."

### MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Ludington's life-saving crew went on duty Monday, 15 days earlier than ever before.

Earl Jackson, 22, a switchman, is dead from injuries sustained early Sunday morning when he was caught between two cars in the Michigan Central yards at Kalamazoo.

Officials expect 100,000 automobile license tags will be issued this year. Up to March 1, 40,000 have been taken out; last year only 18,000 had been issued at this time. The total number issued in 1914 was 75,000.

The city of Port Huron was made defendant in a suit for \$25,000, filed in circuit court by attorney representing Charles L. Cain, who alleges that because of a defective sidewalk, he fell sustaining serious injuries.

Frank Carter has been sentenced at Flint to serve 5 to 15 years at Marquette prison for manslaughter in connection with the death of Ralph Sovia, two years ago. Herbert Pontford is serving time at Jackson for the same crime.

While eating a beefsteak in a saloon at Ann Arbor, John Arngard choked to death despite the efforts of three physicians to save his life. Arngard was 48 years old, and not married. He had no relatives in America.

At a special election at Flint taxpayers voted to bond for sanitary and storm water sewers and for a subway under the P. M. tracks at Leith street. The amount of the bonds for the sewers is \$106,000, and \$80,000 for the subway.

Because members of the house believed a meeting of the American Neutrality league, to be held in Representative Hall Friday evening, would in reality be pro-German, permission to use the auditorium was refused.

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# The KITCHEN CABINET

Who hath not met with home-made bread,  
A heavy compound of putty and lead  
And home-made wines that rack the head.  
Home-made pop that will not foam  
And home-made dishes that drive one from home.—Hood.

## GOOD THINGS TO EAT.

Cook a fourth of a cupful of soft crumbs with a fourth of a cupful of cream until smooth and thick; cool and add an egg yolk and a third of a cupful of pecans cut in pieces. To the two cupfuls of hot rice potatoes add three tablespoonfuls of cream, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-eighth teaspoonful of pepper, a few drops of onion juice and a beaten egg yolk, shape in nests, fill with the nut mixture and cover with potato, dip in crumbs, egg and crumb and fry in deep fat. Arrange on a hot plate with parsley for a garnish.

**Celery, Cheese and Red Pepper Salad.**—Cut celery in two-inch pieces and put into ice water to curl. Dry thoroughly and mix with a tablespoonful of chopped red pepper, and sprinkle with a grating of cheese, put mayonnaise on top and serve.

**Chicken With Corn.**—A most appetizing dish which may be prepared any time of the year, but is better with fresh corn from the cob, the following: Scrub and clean a fowl in water in which a tablespoonful of soda has been dissolved. This removes any soil that is on the skin. Cut the chicken in pieces as for frying, roll in flour, brown in a little hot fat in a frying pan, then add enough milk to cook the chicken well, simmering or cooking slowly in a moderate oven for two hours or longer, depending upon the age of the fowl. Season when about half cooked and add a cup or two of corn. Serve the chicken with the gravy and corn poured around it.

**Chantilly Potatoes.**—Mound well-seasoned, light, mashed potatoes on a platter. Have beaten stiff one cupful of thick cream, add a half-cupful of soft cheese, and season with salt and paprika. Spread this over the top and set on the top grate of the oven to brown.

**Apple Balls.**—Cut balls with a vegetable cutter from firm, nice apples, drop them in water and vinegar to keep from discoloring and mix with pineapple and other fruit. Put in cups and pour over it rich lemonade or lemon syrup. Serve as a cocktail.

## MORE GOOD THINGS.

Pies are the universal American dessert and they are less objectionable to the digestive tract when properly made.

**Prune Pie.**—Line a pie tin with good, rich pastry and fill with stewed prunes, cut in bits. Sprinkle with one-half cupful of powdered sugar and enough cinnamon to flavor or a grating of lemon rind. Bake and just before it is well done cover with a meringue made from two beaten whites of eggs and three tablespoonfuls of sugar, a tablespoonful of lemon juice. Return the pie to the oven and finish baking until the mercury is brown.

**Celery and Pineapple Salad.**—Shred pineapple with a fork and add chopped celery in equal quantities, mix with mayonnaise dressing and serve on lettuce leaves.

**Broiled Halibut.**—Slice the fish, season with salt and pepper and brush with melted butter and let stand for an hour. Roll in flour and broil over a clear fire for twelve or fifteen minutes. Place on a dish with a garnish of parsley.

**Tomato and Peanut Salad.**—Peel the tomatoes carefully and remove the centers so as to form a cup. Fill with chopped cabbage and chopped peanuts well mixed. Add French dressing. When serving, top with a spoonful of mayonnaise.

**Fricasseeed Potatoes.**—Slice a small onion, fry brown in a saucerman with butter, paprika, salt and pepper. Cut the potatoes into half-inch squares and place on top of the onion and pour boiling water over to cover. Cook until all the water is boiled away and the potatoes mealy and tinged from paprika and butter.

**Fruit Bread Sponge.**—Pour over two cupfuls of small cubes of bread hot fruit juice until it is all absorbed. Let stand in a cool place several hours and when ready to serve turn from the mold and pour whipped and sweetened cream over.

## Then Time to Stir.

Thomas Edison once set out to invent a perfect coffee machine suitable to use in camps or on hunting trips. Asking the advice of a former guide as to the requirements of such a thing, the man, who was a Swede, gave him this recipe: "Der ban only von way to cook coffee. Tak von trip into woods up on Flambeau river; build fire vid pitchpine knots; put von quart water and two handfuls coffee in coffee pot, and sit on cover so she can't boil over. Ven cover get too hot for pants coffee she done."

## Sympathetic.

"It's pretty hard to sleep on an empty stomach," said the tramp wearily to the bustling farmer's wife. "Why, my poor fellow!" she replied, sympathetically. "Why don't you turn over and sleep on your back for a little while? Ye hain't wore it out lyin' on it, hav' ya?"—Judge.

## At Cooking School.

"What did you learn at your cooking class this morning?" "How to pluck a goose, how to curry favor, and sometimes a great deal worse."—Garnet.

## SWEETS AND SALADS.

A simple and most tasty dessert may be made by scooping the center from a sponge cake, filling with jam, put on the lid and serve sliced with whipped cream and sugar. Filled with whipped cream and a few tablespoonfuls of jam mixed with the cream is a most delicious combination also.

**German Salad.**—Cook salt herring in boiling water 15 minutes; drain and cool and separate into flakes. Add an equal quantity of cold boiled potato cut in cubes and one-fourth the quantity of hard-cooked eggs chopped. Marinate with French dressing and serve with a dressing made as follows: Beat a fourth of a cupful of cream until stiff, add two tablespoonfuls of canned red pepper, put through a sieve; then add an equal quantity of good boiled dressing. Serve the salad on lettuce with the dressing.

**Corn and Rice Salad.**—Take equal quantities of cooked corn, well drained, and rice cooked until soft; mix and season with salt, pepper, and add stiff mayonnaise dressing. Serve on lettuce leaves.

**Mexican Tomato Salad.**—Rub a salad bowl with a cut clove of garlic. Line the bowl with lettuce and lay in a few slices of tomato, cover with chopped green pepper, a teaspoonful of onion and a dozen chopped olives. Pour over a French dressing of tablespoonfuls of vinegar to three of oil, season with salt, pepper and a dash of celery salt. Serve well chilled. Cucumbers may be added in place of the olives if so desired.

**Spaniard Cream.**—Take a quart of milk and soak half a box of gelatin in it. Beat the yolks of three eggs light, add a cupful of sugar, stir in the scalding milk and cook until the egg is thick. Strain through a cheese cloth. When nearly cold flavor with lemon juice. Pour into a mold and let stand in cold water to stiffen.

I am my brother's keeper; therefore I will try to solve the problems of life with a view to his welfare, knowing that in the difficult treatment of business, labor, and society, and life in its truest expression, my brother's welfare is my own, and mine is his.

## GOOD DESSERTS WITH EGGS.

During the months when eggs are high we are glad to hunt up some foods which will be palatable without them.

**Bird's Nest Pudding.**—Peel and slice enough apples to fill a deep pie plate. Make a rich biscuit and mixture, rather soft and pour over the apples. Bake until the crust is brown and the apples tender. Turn upside down on a plate, spread generously with butter, sprinkle with sugar and grated nutmeg and serve as one does pie.

**Apple Pone.**—Pare and chop fine one pint of sweet apples. Pour a cupful of boiling water into a pint of white corn meal, heating hard to make light, when cool add one cupful of sweet milk, and a half teaspoonful or more of salt. Stir in the apples a grating of nutmeg and bake in a covered dish. Serve with hard sauce or cream and sugar.

**Grape Sago.**—Wash a cupful of sago, cover with cold water and let soak over night. Next morning cook until transparent. Add a cupful of grape juice. When cool turn into a glass dish and put aside to get cold. Serve with cream and sugar.

**Chocolate Blanc Mange.**—Put two ounces of broken bits of chocolate into a double boiler and when melted add a pint of warm milk. Stir well and add four tablespoonfuls of sugar. Molaten three tablespoonfuls of cornstarch with a little cold milk, add it to the hot milk and cook until thick and smooth. Remove from the heat, add a teaspoonful of vanilla, beat well and pour into a glass dish to when cold. Serve with sweetened cream.

**Chocolate Tapioca.**—Wash a cupful of tapioca, cover with a pint and a half of water and soak for two hours. Put four ounces of chocolate in a double boiler and when melted add a half cupful of sugar. Cook until the tapioca is transparent, stirring often when done, remove and flavor with vanilla. Serve with sugar and cream. A sprinkling of nuts or bits of jelly over the top for a garnish adds to the appearance of either a tapioca or sago pudding.

**Nellie Maxwell.**—  
Dally Thought.

Three-tenths of the good that is done in the world is the result not of laws, however wise, or of resolutions however strong, but of the personal influence of individual men and women.—Sir Samuel Chisholm.

## Wanted a Diagram.

"That young wife was evidently buying her first turkey." "She was," said the dealer, "and she was greatly surprised that no book of instructions went with it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## Yukon in Fifth Place.

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## Among the New Spring Gowns



**B**EINGING lines are exemplified in this new spring gown of taffeta, which is simple enough for the home dressmaker to undertake and pretty enough for the most fastidious of women to enjoy. Taffeta lends itself to the new, wide skirts, the horizontal tucks and other quaint features in the new gowns, borrowed from a period more than a half century behind us. The days of the crinoline are recalled by the utterly feminine and fascinating demureness of this modest gown.

The wide tucks running around the skirt with a fullness of three to four yards in the width, combine to make the flare that is to be achieved in this particular style. The fullness is disposed of at the top partly by cutting and partly by shifting or plaiting into which the material is laid. Many of the new spring skirts, cut with the requirements of the plump figure in mind, fit smoothly about the hips and are widened gradually toward the bottom, where they ripple at the hem.

In either tailored or afternoon gowns there are short jackets and long coats to choose from. The short waist line hardly admits a rival in popularity, and perhaps this accounts for the lack in number of designs which were expected to feature military ideas.

The short jacket that completes the pretty gown pictured here is covered with braiding in self-color. It is just the touch required to enrich the design. Worn over a lacy bodice and with a flower-trimmed hat the toilette leaves nothing to be desired. It is developed in a medium shade of blue with a grayish cast and the hat and parasol correspond.

## Millinery in Diverse Styles



**H**ERE are three hats which stand for three very distinct types in the new millinery for spring. But they have several features in common which mark the incoming styles. They are elaborately made and they are considerably trimmed. There is a reaction away from the severely plain hats with a single and sometimes minute decoration, such as grew tiresome during the past winter.

At the left of the group is a quaint and picturesque bonnet made of black horsehair braid. Narrow black velvet ribbon and clusters of garden roses and forget-me-nots are used for the trimming. You cannot imagine anything which completes the costume more harmoniously, when it is one of those wide-skirted, colonial looking affairs that are so prettily developed in taffeta.

At the right is a pretty street turban made of braid in satin straw, and having a soft silk crown. An embroidered band about the coronet is bordered with very narrow velvet ribbon and short streamers fall from a diminutive flat bow at the back. At the front a big silk pompon supports a long slender feather which fronts the weather with amazing audacity.

One of those models which is expected to do duty both for street and other wear is shown at the center of the group. It is made of crepe draped over a light frame. The brim is cleverly managed so that an outline of four points results. Midway between these a little bouquet of roses and small flowers is set in a cluster of leaves. This is one of those rare hats that are suited to older as well as younger matrons.

## Looped-Up Skirts.

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used to accentuate the loop, where they are garlanded under the puff.

## Fluffy Filling.

A young woman who was making some sofa cushions and comforts found that the cotton filling that she was using had become slightly damp. This made it difficult to thrust the needle through in tying the comfort, so she placed the cotton in the oven to dry and become slightly browned. As a result, it became very light and fluffy and held its fluffiness.

## With Your Pepper Seeds.

When using green or red sweet pepper seeds save the seeds, which you find in large numbers inside the shell. Dry these on a plate and put them in a wide-necked bottle. They are delicious for giving zest to soups, gravies, sauces, salad dressing and the like.

## WORTH WHILE RECIPES

### SAVORY METHODS OF PREPARING VARIOUS VIANDS.

**Tit-Bits to Serve With Game or Cold Meat—New Ideas for Vegetables—Combinations of Cheese and Sweets.**

Here are some worth while recipes and ways of preparing food that will give a different savor to the viands:

Take a small quantity of boiled cod, flake fine, add enough mayonnaise to make spreading paste, spread on lettuce leaf between rye slices. Salmon and tunny fish may be fixed in the same way, or instead of the mayonnaise add enough catsup and seasoning to make the paste. Cold boiled lobster, cold boiled shrimp may be shredded or cut fine and prepared in the same way. Many will like them with the French dressing, however, rather than the mayonnaise.

**Game.**—Minced chicken, guinea fowl or turkey are good mixed with a tiny bit of chowchow, sweet pickle, currant jelly or orange marmalade, as well as with good mayonnaise made with mustard.

**Meats.**—All cold meats, thinly sliced or minced, are acceptable with any of the dressings, or lightly spreading the bread with apple sauce before laying on the sliced meat.

**Vegetables.**—French peas that have been stewed, mashed to a paste, seasoned to taste, lighted with a little whipped cream and a teaspoonful of chopped ham or tongue make an excellent filling. The macaroni of vegetables, drained and finely chopped, mixed with mayonnaise, is good.

Grated with onion with a little finely minced cold roast beef, pepper and salt and a few drops of mustard dressing it is quite appetizing if one likes onion.

**Cheese and Sweets.**—Combinations with cream cheese which has been softened with whipped cream are numerous. Little finely chopped preserved ginger and a tablespoonful of the sirup mixed to a spreading paste; puree of chestnuts mixed with the cheese, orange marmalade, bar-le-duc, a little of any of the preserved fruits, or finely chopped fresh fruit may be blended with the cheese. If needed, a little mayonnaise or whipped cream may be used to bind the paste. A little grated cheese sprinkled on trifle, then placed in an oven for a minute or two to melt, with another trifle placed on it, are frail to carry out, but very nice sandwiches.

**Pumpkin Pudding.**—Into a pint of stewed pumpkin beat the whipped yolks of five eggs, two pints of milk, three-fourths of a cupful of sugar and half a teaspoonful each of powdered mace, nutmeg and cinnamon. Last of all stir in lightly the stiffly beaten whites of five eggs, turn the mixture into a buttered pudding dish and bake until set. Serve hot with a hard sauce.

**Potato Pudding.**—Into the stem of the Bladder, which was sore and had a constant hurting all the time—broken sleep, tired feeling, nervousness, puffing and swollen eyes, shortness of breath and J. McDaniel. Rheumatic pains. I suffered ten months. I was treated by a physician, but found no relief until I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. I now feel that I am permanently cured by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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### Explanation to Her Guest.

A little girl gave a children's party the other day to certain of her young friends. She was very anxious that everything should be done properly, and just before the arrival of the guests was discussing matters with her mother.

"Mamma," she asked, "shall we say grace?"

"No," said mamma; "it will be a very informal dinner, and I think you need not do that."

That meant one ceremony the less to go through, and was a relief. But the little lady was anxious to have all her guests understand it. So, as they gathered about the table, she explained:

"Mamma says that this is such an informal dinner that we need not have grace today!"

### OVERWORK and KIDNEY TROUBLE

Mr. James McDaniel, Oakley, Ky., writes: "I overworked and strained myself, which brought on Kidney and Bladder Disease. My symptoms were Backache and burning in the stem of the Bladder, which was sore and had a constant hurting all the time—broken sleep, tired feeling, nervousness, puffing and swollen eyes, shortness of breath and J. McDaniel. Rheumatic pains. I suffered ten months. I was treated by



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#### Registration Notice.

To the electors of the village of Grayling, county of Crawford, state of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that the next ensuing election for said village will be held at the town hall within said village on Monday, March 2nd, 1915, at which election the following officers will be chosen, viz:

One village president,  
One village clerk,  
One village treasurer,  
Three trustees for two years,  
One assessor.

The polls of said election will be open at 8 o'clock in the forenoon and will remain open until 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

By order of the Board of Election Inspectors of said village.

Dated this 24th day of February, A. D. 1915.

T. P. PETERSON,  
Clerk.

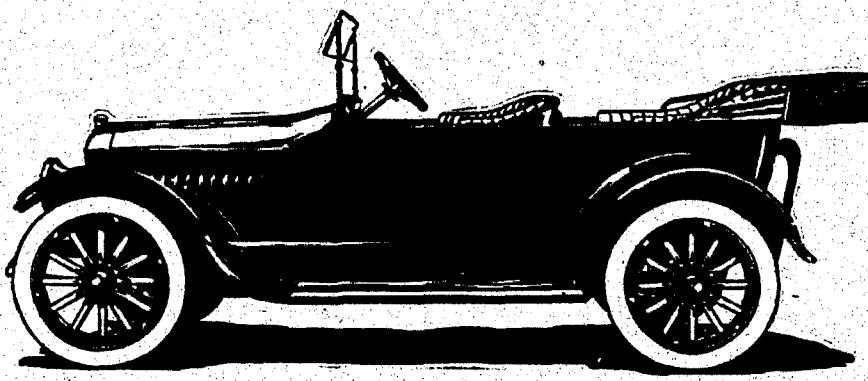
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## MEN'S BANQUET BIG SUCCESS

(Continued from first page.)

The boys and girls basketball teams played at Grayling Friday night their meeting defeat at the hands of the Grayling team. The girls' score was 26 to 7, while the boys' score was 37 to 31. After the games the teams were served to a very nice supper at the New Russell hotel. We will long remember these games and good times shown us by the Grayling team, and hope that the friendly feeling now existing may continue so to be, between the two high schools.

A large crowd of high school students and townspeople witnessed the games at Grayling Friday night. The students of the high school presented Mr. Kitchen with a traveling bug Monday morning.

Mr. Bailey and Miss Black took up their respective work as superintendent and principal of the high school Monday morning.

Ernest Carr of St. Charles, Michigan has taken up the work in the grammar grades to complete the work for the ensuing year. Mr. Carr comes very well recommended and appears to be able to wield the rod of correction in an able manner.

The high school pupils have again to adjust themselves to a new schedule.

Mr. Kitchen is still with us, although he expects to leave soon.

The school and whole community were saddened by the sudden death of the two young boys who were drowned Sunday. While Roland was not this year an active member in our high school, he belonged to the sophomore class. He was always with us and seemed as near as if in attendance. Clarence was a member of our sixth grade, a bright, energetic boy. The school, both teachers and students, sadly miss both boys. The parents have the sympathy of all.

The high school boys play the Gladwin team Thursday night at the opera house.

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served at 12:30, which was enjoyed by Mr. Moon, who has rented a farm near Laingsburg, where he expects to move soon.

Mrs. H. Parker and Mrs. Wm. Moon left here Thursday morning for the south part of the state. Mrs. Moon to visit her sister in Jackson and Mr. Parker to visit her parents at St. Louis.

A surprise party given on Claude Parker in honor of his 13th birthday was a complete success in every way. There was dancing and games until late hour, when the young people returned to their homes, after wishing Claude many more and happy birthdays.

### Lovells.

Chas. Lee returned from Bay City Tuesday.

T. E. Douglas made a business trip to Grayling one day last week.

Mrs. P. Bowman visited at Stillwagon's a few days last week.

Miss M. Foley was a Lewiston caller Saturday.

Douglas Shannon spent a few days in Grayling last week with relatives.

Mr. Taylor and Russel Caid spent a few days at the home of the latter's parents.

C. P. Michelson of Mason spent a few days at the Douglas house last week.

Mrs. Fred Rose and children are visiting relatives in Bay City.

Maggie Graham is visiting Emma Caid this week.

Thursday C. H. Kehl returned to his home in Saginaw.

Douglas Kennedy, who has been working at Mio, is a guest at the home of his brother, J. Kennedy.

The first of last week Jake Bowers received the sad news of the death of his sister, Mrs. Morton Cris, of Hardgrove.

Mrs. Nicholas Sikora received a message announcing the death of her mother. She left Monday for Chicago to attend the funeral.

Lillie Masters accompanied Mrs. Fred Rose as far as West Branch, spending Sunday at her home there and returning to Lowell Monday.

A number of the little boy friends of Edgar Douglas, Jr., have received some very unique invitations, in the shape of post cards, one side bearing a verse of poetry and the other his photo as the signature to the invitation.

Mrs. Elizabeth McCormick is visiting Mrs. Ira Johnson of Vanderbilt, and while there is helping to care for a new baby girl. The little Miss made her appearance at the Johnson home February 24th.

Last Wednesday evening, February 21st, Eugene Parker was taken by a great surprise, on being ready for bed, by nearly forty of his friends and workmen pouncing in upon him, to remind the gentleman that he was thirty-nine years old. Several tables were arranged for progressive Pedro. Prizes were awarded as follows: Mrs. Caid and Mr. Frank, first prize; Florence McCormick and Clyde Lee, consolation prizes. A supper was served and it is very needless to say that a most enjoyable evening was spent and long to be remembered by the Parker family and all who attended.

T. W. Hanson next gave an address on "The Grayling Board of Trade." Mr. Hanson is quite a booster and he loves Grayling. He is very much concerned about the progress of the town and spoke highly of the qualities of the townsmen. He said that no town in the state of Michigan could boast of such prosperity (for its size and number of population) and we believe he is right in making that statement. Mr. Hanson wound up his address and was applauded loudly. The program was brought to a close by the singing of "America," all men standing, to the accompaniment of the band as a finale. Three cheers were raised for Grayling.

This effort was the most successful men's gathering that Grayling has ever had and will long be remembered. We hope that the organizers will soon produce another of like order. We make special mention of Floyd McLain as accompanist for the evening. It being his first attempt at any public affair, he proved himself very resourceful and efficient. We appreciate your effort very much, Floyd. Thanks is tendered to all the ladies who kindly helped in preparing the "eats" in their homes. We cannot get along very good without the ladies at some part of such great doings. The waiters and helpers and all who worked to make the banquet a success are patted on the back for their help.

There Is No Question but that indigestion and the distressed feeling which always goes with it can be promptly relieved by taking a Rexall Dyspepsia Tablet before and after each meal. 25¢ a box.

A. M. Lewis & Co.

## WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No ad. taken for less than 15 cent. There are about six words to the line. SEND MONEY WITH THE ORDER.

### Beaver Creek Breezes.

Miss Fern Hanna is working for Mrs. J. Bunting of Grayling.

Fred Pappendick, who has been visiting at the home of J. C. Failling, returned to Minot, North Dakota, last Tuesday.

Fred Phipporey of Sigma was a visitor at the home of his uncle, J. L. Baer, the past week.

Mrs. Ralph Hanna has been quite ill for the past few days, but is slowly improving at this writing.

N. Nielsen of Grayling was out the first of the week looking after the ranch.

Jens Hanson and R. Hanna have commenced putting up ice for their summer's use.

Jens Hanson went to West Branch Thursday afternoon to consult a doctor. Mr. Hanson has been on the sick list for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moon were given quite a surprise last Tuesday evening by a number of their neighbors who took possession of their home and had a most enjoyable time dancing and playing cards until the small hours of morning. A beautiful supper was

WANTED—Hardwood cut-over land wanted in exchange for a fine 2 story 8 room residence and a store building in Arlington, Fayette county, Iowa. C. E. Cunningham, Council Bluffs, Ia.

34-2

CASH FOR TILLERS—At Sherman's Far Farm, four miles northeast on auto road.

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WANTED—Gentleman desires room and board in private family. Address W. care Avalanche.

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BOYS WANTED

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## A. M. LEWIS. THE BUSY DRUGGIST

### Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAR. 4

#### Local News

Before you buy a camera see the Ansco. A. M. Lewis.

Don't fail to attend the fair at Daneshall Saturday, March 6th.

Miss Effie Heath of Birch Run was a guest of Miss Edith Ballard last week.

House and lot on South Side for sale on easy terms. Inquire of A. M. Lewis.

Miss Irene Balhoff was taken to the Mercy hospital last Sunday, very seriously ill.

Bissell sweeping means good house-keeping. Read Sorenson Brothers' advertisement.

Mrs. Peter Bowman of Lewiston is visiting her husband at the Miss Baldwin boarding house.

Mrs. T. W. Hanson is at Harper hospital at Detroit where she is recovering from an operation.

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One reason why you should bring your prescriptions is that we always use pure drugs. Central Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Canfield entertained a few guests at dinner and theatre party Thursday evening in honor of the latter's father, J. M. Miller of Gladwin.

Attend the concert next Tuesday evening and by so doing contribute toward the class memorial that the high school seniors wish to purchase for the new high school.

The Agricultural department has just completed a census of birds in the United States, and finds the robin the most numerous bird, with the sparrow a close second.

A petition addressed to the new president and village council is being circulated requesting the appointment of Mike Brenner for night watch. It is being well endorsed.

Don't be alarmed if you are approached by a number of young people and subjected to a quiz on almost any political subject. The senior class has begun studying civil government.

I am now in a position to take orders for the new Dodge Brothers automobiles. 5-passenger 30-35 horse power \$785 f. o. b. Detroit. Come in and let me show you cuts. Joe Kraus.

James Ballard, editor of the Herald at Tawas City, visited his sister here over Sunday. Mrs. Ballard is suffering from a nervous break-down and was taken to a hospital at Ant. Arbor for treatment, where it is reported she is getting along nicely.

The regular meeting of the M. E. Ladies Aid will be held tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bert Ashkenfeiter instead of at the home of Mrs. Bates as announced last week. Members will please bring their quarterly assessment for the thank offering fund.

William Ruf, a gun pointer on the U. S. battleship Texas, set a new world's record for marksmanship with big guns during the recent target practice of the fleet. He was credited with eight straight hits with a 14 inch gun, shooting at a moving target twelve miles away.

Gen. S. P. Kyes and Col. Ed. S. Tooker of Lansing, of the Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, of the Grand Domain of Michigan, were in the city last Friday night and installed the new local company, giving it the name and number Grayling Company No. 27, Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias.

Mrs. Harry Bauman was hostess at a very pretty bridge party at her home Saturday afternoon. There were about twenty ladies present and all enjoyed themselves as having had a most delightful time. Mrs. J. H. Ladd represented the Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias.

The insurance is now \$100,000.00 which is \$100,000.00 more than we had before.

Gen. L. A. Johnson, president.

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The friends of Miss Catherine O'Leary will be glad to hear that she is located at Cadillac and taking up her vocation as a trained nurse. Miss O'Leary graduated with the first class from the Mercy hospital training school in this city with high honors. We wish her success.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Petersen and daughter Nina left on Tuesday for Detroit to attend the wedding of Miss Olga to Mr. William Faburasky of that city, which will occur Saturday, March 6th. Miss Nina will act as bridesmaid. They expect to return home about Tuesday.

Henry Stephan was the city yesterday and while here completed papers for the designation of 40 acres as a game refuge. These will have to be sent to the State of Michigan and accepted, after which the boundary lines will have to be posted. This will make about 240 acres in one bunch, the other having been provided for Reuben S. Babbitt and son.

Rev. Fr. J. J. Riess conducted the funerals of Roland LaGrou and Clarence Cariveau yesterday morning at St. Leo's church, Frederic. Bernard Brennan and Eugene Karpus accompanied Fr. Riess as acolytes. A choir consisting of Mrs. Marius Hanson and Francis Reagan also attended and rendered many beautiful hymns. It is said to have been one of the saddest affairs ever witnessed in Frederic.

Pat Burke, of Frederic, presented the Moose Lodge with 41 rabbits Monday and a big rabbit supper was enjoyed by the members last night. Jim Foreman did the cooking and it is reported that the supper was "a fine one."

Charles T. Jerome, president of the school board, made an official visit to Boyne City Monday and inspected their new school building. Yesterday Mr. Jerome, M. A. Bates and Marius Hanson left for Royal Oak for the same purpose.

Mrs. M. A. Bates was called to Detroit Thursday night on account of the sickness of her daughter. Mrs. Benjamin Jerome and little daughter, the sick ones are having an attack of lagriope, but are reported to be getting along nicely.

Tony Nelson returned on Monday from Lansing where he had been pursuing a course in live stock and dairying at the Agricultural college. He is very enthusiastic over the M. A. C. and feels that his time and money have been well spent in the courses he took.

Notice to my old customers and new ones: I am now again prepared to make clothes to order—have just finished another course in cutting and fitting and am better able than ever to give you high class tailoring services as to style, fit and workmanship.

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Tax payers are hereby notified that the tax rolls for the township of Grayling are in the hands of the treasurer at the Bank of Grayling, ready for the collection of taxes. 123-1.

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X. Michelson and Miss Jorgenson went to Detroit first of the week where they joined Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hartwick for a trip to the Panama exposition. They expect to be gone several weeks.

The Messrs Samuel Fuller and Wm. Falconer of Lewiston, Hiram Smith of Roscommon, Andrew Brown of Frederic and T. E. Douglas of Lovells attended the Men's Washington's banquet here last Tuesday evening.

Arthur Karpus pulled off some gymnastic stunts that would make any circus acrobat envious.

It is a known fact that young ladies have a perfect right to change their names as often as the opportunity affords, and fearing that this would be their last chance until leap year, the All City girls have taken the name of "K. M." for their team. We are not aware what this particular K. M. stands for, but think it means Karo Molasses or Kahlua Mycetas, but one would naturally infer that it meant the former name, owing to the sweetness of the girls. As there is so little difference at which to name it makes no particular difference, nevertheless the girls are developing into a very fast basket ball team and we will no doubt hear of them doing some fine playing in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Contryman were pleasantly surprised last Saturday evening when a number of their friends gathered at their home to spend the evening. Cards were in order and before long a splendid dinner was served. All enjoyed themselves very much.

The total appropriations asked of the legislature approximates the staggering sum of \$21,000,000.00 for the next two years. In order to keep the state tax levy down to the level of two years ago, this amount must be cut to \$13,000,000.00. This can and will be done, no one questions; the only thing members are worrying about is whose pet measures must suffer.

Wingard's studio has been doing some exceptionally fine enlarging of photos for some time past. Their latest effort is one of Dr. Palmer, a specimen of which is on display in their out-door show case. The popularity of the Doctor and the familiar face attracts nearly all passers-by. The work Mr. Wingard has been doing in this line, we believe, is equal to that done in more pretentious studios, and his patronage in this particular line is enjoying a steady increase. He is in position to make photos at any time of day or night.

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CHAPTER XX.

**Braine Tries Another Weapon.**  
"What I want now," said Braine, as he paced the living room of the apartment of the countess, "is revenge. I've been checkmated enough, Olga; they're playing with us."

"That is nothing new," she replied, shrugging. "At the beginning I warned you. I never liked this affair after the first two or three failures. But you would have your way. You wanted revenge at that early date; but I cannot see that you've gone forward. Has it ever occurred to you that the organization may be getting tired, too? They depend solely upon your invention, and each time your invention has resulted in touching nothing but zero."

"Thanks!"  
"O, I'm not chiding you. I've failed, too."

"Are you turning against me?" he demanded bitterly.

"Do my actions point that way?" he countered. "No. But the more I view what has passed, the more disheartened I grow. It has been a series of blind alleys, and all we have succeeded in doing is knocking our heads. I can see now that all our failures are due to one mistake."

"And what the devil is that?" he asked irritably.

"We were in too much of a hurry at the beginning. Hargreave prepared himself for quick action on your part."

"And if I had not acted quickly he would have started successfully one of his world tours again, and that would have been the last of him, and we should never have learned of the girl's existence. So there's your argument."

"Perhaps you are right. But for all that we have not played the game with any degree of finesse."

"Bah!" Braine lit a cigarette and smoked nervously. "I can't even get rid of that meddling reporter. He has been as much to blame for our failures as either Jones or Hargreave. I admit that in his case I judged hastily. I believed him to be just an ordinary newspaper man, and he was clever enough to lull my suspicions. But I'm going to get him, Olga, even if I have to resort to ordinary gunman tricks. If there's any final reckoning, by the Lord Harry, he shan't get a chance in the witness stand."

"And I begin to think that little chit of a girl has been hoodwinking me all along. By the way, did you find out what that letter said?" she asked after a pause.

"Letter? What letter?"

She sprang from her chair. "Do you mean to say that they have not told you about that?" Olga became greatly excited.

"Explain," he said.

"Why, I was at the garden day before yesterday, and a man approached and asked if I was Miss Hargreave. Becoming at once suspicious that something very important was about to happen, I signified that I was Miss Hargreave. The man slipped a paper into my hand and hurried off. I took a quick glance at it and was dumfounded to find it utterly blank of writing. At first I thought some joke had been played on me, then I chanced to remember the invisible ink letters you always wrote me. Understanding that you were to visit the cave in the morning, I had one man at the garden take the note. And you never got it!"

"Some one shall pay for this carelessness. I'll call up Vroom and Jackson at once. Wait just a moment."

He went to the telephone. A low muttering conversation took place. Olga could hear little or none of it. When Braine put the receiver back on the hook his face was not pleasant to see.

"That girl!"

"What now?"

"It seems she had been out horseback riding that morning. She had seen one of the boys cross the field and suddenly disappear; and she was curious to learn what had become of him. With her usual luck she stumbled on the method of opening the door of the cave and went in. She must have been posing about. She didn't have much time, though, as the boys came up to await us. Evidently she crawled into that old chest and in some inexplicable manner purloined the letter from Jackson's pocket. They left to reconnoiter; and it was then that Jackson discovered his loss. When Florence heard them returning she jumped into the well. And lived through that tunnel! The devil is in it!"

"Out of it, since we consider him our friend."

"And I had her in my hands, done and all!"

"But with all that water there will not be any writing left on the letter."

"Invisible ink is generally indelible and impervious to the action of water; at least the kind I use is. I'd give a thousand for a sight of that letter."

"And it might be worth a million," Olga suggested.

**WHEN FLIES PLAY POSSUM**

Explaining Why the Campaign for Their Extermination Should Be Put at Once.

It is not only in the summer that the enemy of the fly should be busy, according to a bulletin issued by the committee on pollution and sewerage of the Merchants' Association of New York, but in the winter as well.

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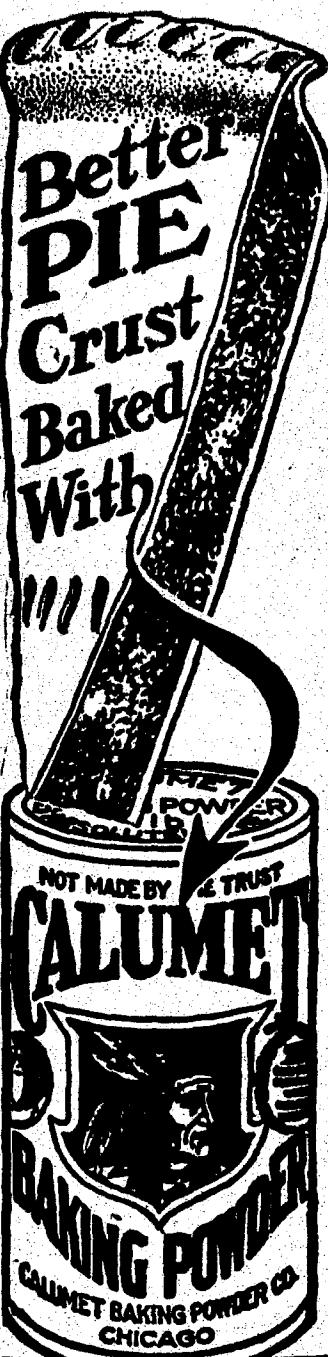
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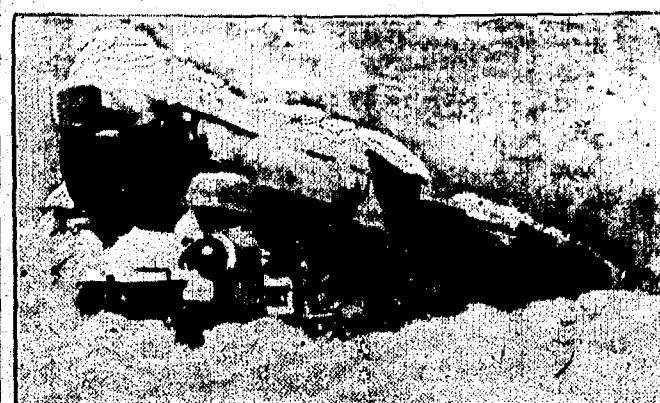
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## TRIUMPH OVER STEAM

ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES PROVE GREAT SUCCESS.

Test Made at Bluefield, W. Va., Proves That George Westinghouse Had the Right Idea—Other Roads May Copy It.

What was a day dream of a great inventor has been realized by a test made at Bluefield, W. Va., on the most powerful electric locomotive ever built. Fourteen thousand horse power was used to start a single full tonnage train, while nearly eight thousand was used to propel it.

These giant locomotives were built, especially to haul the heavy freight trains over the steep mountain grade of this division.

Two locomotives are used on each train, one at each end, because otherwise the enormous strain on the car coupling from concentrating at one point the enormous amount of energy required to operate the train would be dangerous. Each locomotive weighs 270 tons, or over one million pounds per train. Their capacity exceeds that of any steam or electric locomotive ever built, enough to move a 250-car train, or one two miles long on a level track.

The train moved by these locomotives weighed nearly four thousand tons and consisted of cars each carrying 100 tons of coal. It was started and handled with perfect ease on the two per cent grade of what is known as one of the most difficult pieces of construction in America.

A test was also made on the electric braking of the train down the mountain grade, resulting in the electric engines holding the train at a steady speed without the use of the train brakes. This is accomplished by the mechanical energy of the train on down grade being transformed into electric energy by the motors acting as generators. This energy is then returned to the system for use by other trains. This is the first time that this system of regaining energy has been put into use in this country, and is destined to be far-reaching in its effect.

The enormous energy utilized in operating these trains is fed to the locomotives from a single-phase alternating-current system over one wire no larger than a lead pencil, at 13,000 volts, a pressure 20 times greater than that used in the New York subway. The energy is generated by steam turbines in a special power house built by the railroad company to operate the division. It is located by the railroad tracks near the mines at Bluefield, from which coal can be economically secured.

The importance of this installation can hardly be overestimated in marking an advance in the electrification of steam railroads. It is interesting to note that this electrification is the practical realization of the ideas which the late George Westinghouse, inventor of the air brake, had nourished for many years, and its successful conclusion is due in no small measure to his activity along these lines.

It is confidently expected that the excellent results obtained on this installation will lead a number of other roads to adopt electricity as a means of increasing their capacity.

Locomotive Has Great Record.

The favorite locomotive on the western division of the Lehigh Valley is No. 2473. No. 2479 has record of which any locomotive might be proud. It has traveled a distance equal to ten trips around the world without a breakdown of consequence, hauling passenger trains weighing 450 tons. During 28 months it worked every day. It also has a remarkable record for economy in fuel consumption. In short, it is a paragon.

Railroad "Scout."

The Canadian Pacific railroad has added to its staff a "scout," whose duty it will be to travel over the system and discover those employees who are especially worthy of advancement. Incidentally he will report those found wanting, but it is significant that his function primarily is not to make complaint, but to make doubly sure that the deserving are recognized.

Many Bridges on Short Route.

Sixty steel and wood bridges, ranging from 75 to 125 feet in length, will be required in a distance of 18 miles on the Central Canada railroad, north of Edmonton, for which the route plans have been filed with the provincial department of railways for Alberta.

Chopped Hair in Surgery.

Chopped hair has been successfully substituted for skin in skin grafting by a French surgeon, due to the fact that hair cells can be transformed into skin cells.

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Chinese Railroads to Use Oil.

Calls plan to use oil-burning equipment on all government railroads.

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You don't save a cent when you buy cheap or imitation baking powder. Don't be cheated. Buy Calumet. It's the only baking powder that contains the right amount of Calumet to give superior to every milk and cake.

## HAD CONFIDENCE IN JANITOR

Landlady Knew to Whom to Apply When She Wanted References as to a Tenant.

Smith, just established in a new flat, happened to discover that the landlord—or landlady, rather—had not investigated the references he had furnished, upon her very particular request.

"Why didn't you ask anybody about me?" he asked.

"I did," was the answer. "I asked the janitor at your old place. I always do that. After finding out from the old landlord whether a tenant is good pay, I make a personal call on the janitor of the house he has been living in."

"But are janitors always to be trusted?"

"By no means. I can usually tell whether a man is truthful. I use my judgment in each case. It isn't hard to guess whether he has been unduly influenced by tips or the lack of them. Generally speaking the janitor knows the tenant better than anybody else, and I prefer his estimate to that of the friends and business associates whose names are supplied as references."

When a woman says she won't, she won't; also very often when she says she will.

The income tax doesn't bother the man whose principal holdings consist of castles in the air.



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# THE MASTER KEY

By John Fleming Wilson

By special arrangement for this paper a photo-drama corresponding to the installments of "The Master Key" may now be seen at the leading moving picture theaters. By arrangement made with the Universal Film Manufacturing company it is not only possible to read "The Master Key" in this paper, but also afford word to see moving pictures of our story.

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CHAPTER XV.

The New Plot.

**T**HE morning brought John Dorr, Ruth Gallon and Thomas Kane together to discuss the problems before them. The papers so necessary for the consummation of the deal that Everett had proposed were again lost. Where they were gone, whether they had indeed fallen into Wilkerson's hands, none could tell. But more immediate yet was the need of extricating John. Two plain clothes men already sat near by, ready to take him to prison on a charge of killing Henry Pelt.

"It's really only a formality," said the manager of the hotel. "The man was a robber and Mr. Dorr tried to capture him, as he had every right to do, and the man was killed."

This failed to comfort Ruth. To her mind the presence of the burly officers, the fact that John Dorr was under arrest in a strange city, made her feel that her burdens were too great to bear. She sat holding the old cook's hand till Everett should come. He had already telephoned, and she tried to brave till he should come.

Everett arrived, and the moment saw him she heaved a sigh of relief. He was so capable looking, so cool, so genuinely cordial to John that even Tom Kane softened his grim visage a little.

"I'm under arrest," John told him. "The officers were good enough to let me stay here till you came. Now I must be off. Let me introduce you all around."

This done, John Dorr went on. "They can tell you all about things, and when you've learned the worst come down and get me out, if you can."

Everett agreed, and Dorr rose, and with a smile said goodbye to his companions. As he left the hotel with an officer on either side of him Ruth broke down and cried. Tom Kane consoled her as best he could till Everett suggested that they had best go to some more private place and discuss matters.

In Ruth's room she and the cook explained affairs briefly. Everett followed their narrative carefully up to the incidents of the night before. When Ruth had finished and the cook was silent Everett thought a moment, then he laughed.

"I don't mean to make fun of all this," he apologized, "but I've known John Dorr for years and this is precisely the kind of trouble he relives in." "But he's in jail!" Ruth protested tearfully.

"True enough," was the reply. "That is the first thing I must do, get him out. I'll be off now and see the district attorney and bail him out."

"Please hurry!" Ruth pleaded.

"Don't worry," was the cheerful response. A moment later he was gone, promising to bring John back with him.

"What do you think of Mr. Everett?" Ruth demanded of Tom Kane.

The old man lit his pipe and scrutinized the ceiling. "Well," he said judicially, "considering the looks of them on Wilkerson's side and them on John's side, I should think that this Everett was on the right side."

With this judgment she had to be content. But she insisted that he tell her all about the conditions at the "Master Key" mine. "I know you have not told me all the truth," she said.

"Well," he answered her, "there's not much to tell one way and in heap another. The mine's practically about down. You know first you went away, then John and then Wilkerson. Pretty much all was left was me and Bill Tubb. Bill, be kind of represented Wilkerson, and I stand for John.



"Please hurry!" Ruth pleaded. The result was that things went to the bad, and the boys came to me and want to know how long they're got to lay off."

"I suppose ye mean how long before a pay day," I says to 'em. "So far as I know nobody has laid you off."

"They agreed with me, but said they couldn't feed their folks without money, and if they got no money for it why work?"

"They haven't been paid, then?"

"No. And Wilkerson cut off all credit at the store. I guess I got in bed with Tubb when I divided up a lot of flour and sugar that was in the cook shanty among the worst of ours. There was some ugly talk, and before I could kind of settle the boys' minds, they treated Bill pretty roughly. So I just laid myself that I would come to

San Francisco and explain things—how Wilkerson deserted the camp and the mine was closed down and your people were starving."

"Oh!" mourned Ruth, agast at the blunt story. "And I seem to have been unfortunate all around, but I know that John will fix things."

Tom Kane fixed his honest old eyes on the girl and shook his head. "I don't want to discourage you, Ruthie," he said quietly, "but until that man Wilkerson is out of the mine for good you can't do more than patch matters up temporarily."

Meanwhile Wilkerson and Jean Darnell were anxiously awaiting news from Henry Pelt. It was getting along in the forenoon, and the woman inquired that if he had succeeded in getting the papers he should have been on the ground long before. Her companion was worried, but told the delay to Pelt's habits and the necessity possibly of avoiding the police.

But when Drake arrived with the morning papers and said nothing articulate and only pointed to the headlines on the first page both Wilkerson and Mrs. Darnell knew that something had happened again to spoil their plans. It was Wilkerson who snatched up the paper and read the news:

HOTEL THIEF HURLED TO DEATH

Guests of the Manx Hotel Have Horrible Struggle With Hotel Robber.

Shortly before midnight last night Miss Ruth Gallon, a guest at the Hotel Manx, entered her room to find a masked man looting her desk. Her cry for help frightened the thief, and he made for the fire escape, followed by Mr. John Dorr, another guest, who heard Miss Gallon's call. Mr. Dorr pursued the man to the roof, and in the ensuing struggle the desperado was either flung or fell to the street below. He was instantly killed.

Shortly afterward the body was identified by the police as that of Samuel Price, alias Henry Pelt, an ex-convict and drug fiend.

Wilkerson read no further. He turned his ghastly face on Mrs. Darnell and said huskily, "He's dead."

"Well, we won't tell any tales," was the cold response. "The question is, did he get the papers?"

To this question there was no satisfactory answer until Wilkerson read further and learned that nothing of value had been found on Pelt's body.

"Oh, he didn't get the deeds, and Ruth still has them," Mrs. Darnell said bitterly. "That is the way all your plans succeed."

Wilkerson flushed. "There is one comfort," he said in an oily tone. "Dorr is to be held for killing him."

"For how long?" sneered Jean. "Until my friends get him out. And mean while you do nothing!"

She continued in this strain for some time. Drake and Wilkerson moodily listening. They knew that if she once threw the affair up they would be helpless and all their time and work and money would have gone for naught. Wilkerson was thinking quickly. Suddenly he interrupted Jean to ask for pen and ink. She got them, and he sat down at the table to write. Drake and Mrs. Darnell kept up a desultory conversation until he had finished.

There was a queer look in Jean's eyes as she took the sheet he handed her and glanced at the writing. "She had a note from you," she said.

"I wrote no note," said John.

"Here it is," was the response. "She left it on the desk in her hurry."

Eagerly John snatched the sheet of paper, but the instant his eyes lit on it he turned a furious face to Everett. "It's a forgery, a trick," he said. "I never wrote it."

"All right," came back the answer. "I'll just travel along. Maybe I might help John myself."

He was agreed, and they sat in the lobby, where Ruth showed the note to the clerk in her impulsive way. Something in that official's expression made the old cook unobtrusively take out his revolver and see that it was in good condition. He followed Ruth to the street and into the waiting car.

This move disconcerted Drake. He had not intended to have two passengers, but he saw no help for it and merely nodded when Ruth ordered him to take her to the city prison. He started his engine and they sped off the hill.

They rode for some time and as neither of them was acquainted with the city it did not occur to them that they were starting.

"Oh!" mourned Ruth, agast at the blunt story. "And I seem to have been unfortunate all around, but I know that John will fix things."

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Estelle looked at the advertisement and finally consented to go to the Hill street address and see if they were really Ruth's friends and if so recover them. In a few moments she had departed on her errand, and Wilkerson and Jean once more resigned themselves to waiting.

Estelle tripped along the street to a car line and took the first car that came along, which, the conductor informed her, crossed the street she sought.

"Yes, indeed," Wilkerson mumbled her.

Bur at that moment he heard another voice, stern, commanding and familiar. He looked around into the muzzle of Tom Kane's revolver.

For the moment they faced each other, while Ruth shrank back still farther. The old man's eyes gleamed, and his trigger finger seemed to rest on the trigger with precise and deadly touch.

"You here!" said Wilkerson with an oath.

Suddenly the old man's temper flared up. The other saw death in his eyes, turned on his heel and ran as fast as he could up the street.

Without a second's hesitation Kane swung his weapon round till it covered Drake, cowering at his wheel.

"Now you drive us back to the hotel," he thundered. "And if you make a false move I'll kill ye as sure as God gave me good shooting eyes."

Drake saw that he was helpless and sulkily waited till they were in and then turned his car back toward the center of the city. Tom Kane sat grimly just behind him with his gun ready. And his mind was plucking things together. Suddenly he saw a policeman on his beat and realized that luck was playing his cards for him. He ordered Drake to halt and halted the officer. To that somewhat astonished individual the cook explained briefly that he had just foiled an abduction plot and that the chauffeur was in it. Though Drake strenuously denied the charge the policeman decided that it was a case for the captain.

"I'll just ride in front here, and we'll go to headquarters," he remarked.

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"Read it!" he growled.

Mrs. Darnell read it through silently and then aloud:

Dear Ruth—I hate to ask you to come down and see me in the jail, but I have something very important to tell you. Bring the papers too. —JOHN DORR

"Are you sure he is in jail?" demanded the woman when she had finished. "And what is the idea of getting the papers into his hands?"

"He'll just turn them over to Everett," muttered Drake.

Wilkerson smiled slyly. "The idea is that Drake will discharge him self as a chauffeur, take this note to the hotel, see that it reaches Ruth and then drive her supposedly to the jail, but really to where I'll meet him."

They discussed the plan and at last agreed that it was feasible. Drake himself saw nothing dangerous in it so long as Wilkerson was to meet him and take Ruth off his hands. He promptly proceeded to dress himself as a chauffeur and went whistling away to a garage after receiving explicit instructions as to what streets he was to take and where he was to meet Wilkerson.

It was an hour later that Drake drove his rented car up before the hotel and delivered his note. It found Ruth still deep in conversation with Tom Kane and yet anxious for the return to Dorr and Everett. On the presentation of the note which Wilkerson had forged she instantly took alarm.

"John must be in trouble and Mr. Everett can't get him out," she said. "He's written for me to come down to the jail and see him and bring the papers."

"Humph!" said Kane. "That sounds funny to me."

Ruth nodded, looking at the note.

"Then she said, more cheerfully: "I'll do anyway. Maybe he needs me. Now, you old dear, leave me alone."

Kane departed, and Ruth quickly changed into street dress. While she was doing this the helldoy returned to say that a machine was waiting for her.

"The one that brought the note," he said. "He says he was told to wait."

"Oh!" she exclaimed. "Tell him I'm right down."

When the boy had gone she called Tom Kane on the telephone and told him that she was going. "John sent a car for me," she added. "He too read it."

"O—Shucks! he's up to something again. On prob'ly, though, come will be reported. Sheriff's report. G. J. C. S. will be reported."

"They must be the papers," he said. "Toll probably threw them away for fear of their being used as evidence against him, and some one picked them up."

"This time I shall see to the matter," Jean said sharply. "Whether they are the papers or not, we must be sure."

"Other people will see that ad," he suggested.

"All the more reason for hurry," she snapped. Then she called her maid.

"Estelle," she said. "I want you to dress for the street and go on an errand for me. It is very important, and you must hurry."

"Yes, madame."

"And if you show good judgment you aren't sorry. You know how Miss Gallon dresses and acts. I want you to impersonate her for a little while."

"But, madame—"

"There is no danger at all," Mrs. Darnell went on. "All you have to do is to go to this address and get those papers."

The maid looked at the advertisement and finally consented to go to the Hill street address and see if they were really Ruth's friends and if so recover them.

"It's a long way," Ruth remarked several times, but Kane merely grunted. He was busily pondering over some method of extricating John Dorr.

Suddenly the car swerved around a corner, dived down a steep hill and came to a stop before a big gray building—the boarded up residence of an absentee. Reaching back, Drake opened the door, and Ruth sprang out. A figure darted across the sidewalk, and she felt herself clutched by the arm.

She looked into the gleaming, cruel eyes of Wilkerson.

"I've got you now!" he said triumphantly.

"Oh!" moaned Ruth, shrinking back in terror.

"Yes, indeed," Wilkerson mumbled her.

Arriving at her street, she got off and found herself in a neighborhood inhabited by very poor people. She looked with disgust at the tumbledown shanties and dirty shacks that littered the rubbish-heaped yards. Two blocks up, from the entire she found her number, a house slightly better kept than most. But she noticed in the yard an uplifted ash man's cart. She entered the gate and rang the bell.

A very large, ill dressed Italian woman opened the door, letting out a tremendous odor of garlic and cheese. She surveyed her caller with suspicion and then beamed.

"Oh, you come look de papers?" she demanded.

Estelle merely showed a copy of the advertisement.

"Yes, my husband he put that in de paper," the woman said, losing her smile.

For some moments Estelle tried to get a glimpse of the documents. The Italian himself came on the scene and dominated a full description. When Estelle said that they had been lost from the Manx hotel, he nodded and explained that he had been removing the ashes therewith when the eye had been caught by the folded papers, but he still insisted on an accurate description, which the maid could not give. At last she said quietly, "The papers are of no value to you, and I am authorized to pay a good reward for them."

At the word reward there was a change, and the woman demanded to know how much it would be.

Estelle thought rapidly. It had been impressed on her that haste was necessary. She decided on offering a goodly sum, yet not enough to make the ushman and his wife think they were in possession of papers of extraordinary value. She pulled out her purse and held out \$5. The man was taking it.

"Twenty dolla," she said cunningly.